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SUBJECT: ETHIOPIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON OCCUPIED
BY ETHIOPIAN STUDENTS

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1. STUDENTS FINALLY AGREED TO VACATE EMBASSY AFTER THEY HAD RECEIVED PERMISSION FROM AMBASSADOR KIFLE TO MEET WITH PRESS IN EMBASSY. THEY MADE STATEMENT TO PRESS AND DISTRIBUTED LEAFLETS. AFTER STATEMENT, STUDENTS AT FIRST HESITATED TO LEAVE FOR FEAR OF BEING ARRESTED, BUT THEN DEPARTED PREMISES ABOUT 3 PM LOCAL TIME. NO ARRESTS MADE. KIFLE, IN FACT, HAD PASSED ASSURANCES TO STUDENTS THAT IF THEY LEFT FOLLOWING THEIR MEETING WITH PRESS HE WOULD NOT BRING CHARGES AGAINST THEM.

2. IN APPARENT COORDINATED EFFORT, ETHIOPIAN STUDENTS ALSO OCCUPIED ETHIOPIAN UN MISSION TODAY. AT LAST
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REPORT 15 CARRIED PLACARDS OUTSIDE OFFICE BUILDING IN

WHICH MISSION LOCATED WHILE 10 OCCUPIED MISSION OFFICES.

3. BOTH HERE AND IN NEW YORK, STUDENTS WERE WELL-MANNERED, ORDERLY AND COMPLETELY NON-VIOLENT.

4. EXECUTIVE PROTECTION SERVICE DOUBLING NORMAL GUARD OF

TWO AT CHANCERY AND RESIDENCE IN WASHINGTON.

5. KIFLE VERY PLEASED WITH MANNER IN WHICH PROBLEM WAS RESOLVED HERE. HE TOLD DEPOFF HE HOPES TO BE WELL ENOUGH TO LEAVE FOR ETHIOPIA ON EITHER MARCH 16 OR 17. KISSINGER

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